

**SHOESTRING RESIDENTS TO HEAR BUDGET TALK**

The Shoestring Strip Community Association will meet Tuesday at 8 p. m. in the Normandale Recreation Center Building, 224th St. and Halldale Ave. Harold Unander, president, announced yesterday.

Fred Fuld Jr., a certified public accountant from San Pedro, will speak on the Los Angeles City Budget. Unander has invited all residents to attend.

**Airport Development Booms with New Cafe**

"The Halfway House," a new cafe, motel and cocktail lounge opened this week for the convenience of flyers and the general public at the Torrance Municipal Airport.

Welcoming the operators of the establishment, "Tiny" MacDonell and Leo C. Grendler, was the operator of the airport, Ed Dietrich.

"The opening of the cafe certainly fills a need that existed for some time," he said.

The new facilities are located adjacent to the airport entrance at 3103 Pacific Coast Hwy. Ample parking area is provided. Available for tourists or visiting pilots are five motel units, complete with shower and all freshly redecorated.

The rather large building was moved here by E. G. Kidwell, operator of a flying school on the field. Kidwell brought the cafe-motel unit and several hangars from an airport in Compton.

Planned in the near future are special breakfasts for the many early morning horseback riders from nearby stables. Dietrich is also planning to inaugurate breakfast flights which will attract private plane pilots and their families from all over Southern California.

The facilities are such that they can accommodate small groups for luncheon or dinner. The cocktail lounge has 12 stools and several booths which will accommodate at least 38 persons. Altogether the facilities are designed to cater to approximately 75 persons. Steaks and fried chicken are menu specialties.

The Verde Corp., owners of the new business, leased the facilities from the City of Torrance, owner of the airport property.

Another development is in the "works" for the airport. Soon to be considered by the City Council is a request for a lease for ground on which to erect a golf driving range and archery range. If the effort is successful, the developer plans to construct a swimming pool near the motel for the convenience of the general public.



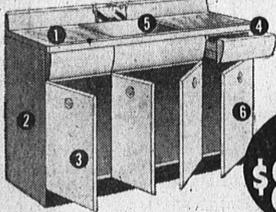
**POLISH DAY . . .** Officer John Maestri demonstrates the correct polish technique to be used on a new, shiny sergeant's badge, to other newly-appointed sergeants following promotion ceremonies Wednesday afternoon. Also elevated in rank from patrolman to sergeant were Merwyn Porter, left; Ted Morris, Maestri and D. C. Cook.



**FIRST MEAL . . .** Pretty Torrance High School girls enjoy their first meal in the newly-built cafeteria which was opened last week on the school grounds. The building was the first to be completed of several now under construction in an expansion program at the plant. The cafeteria is run by a full-time staff of five, assisted by students during the rush hours.

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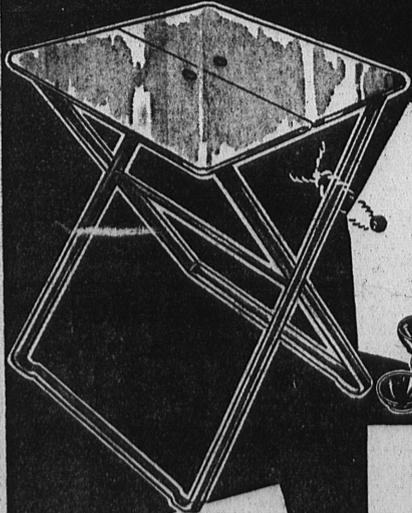
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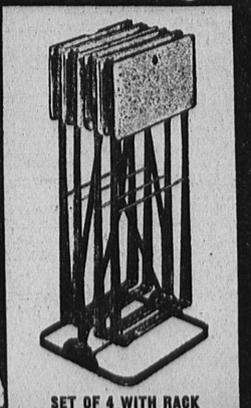
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**High School Grads Can Ask For AF-OCS Training Now**

New rules designed to give non-college civilians and present airmen a better crack at Officer Candidate School go into effect May 1, the Air Force revealed yesterday.

On and after that date candidates with only high school diplomas—no college or equivalent tests required—can apply.

In making the announcement, officials said that formal education, college training, remains an important selection factor in choosing qualified air personnel, but not "the" factor.

The announcement not only came as good news to high school graduates who have hopes of flying with the Air Force, but present members who want to earn their gold bars but don't have a college sheepskin.

Summer classes to be offered at El Camino College are listed in a summer session bulletin just released by the school. According to the bulletin, anyone is eligible to enroll for the summer session who meets the requirements for the regular school year. However, no residence permits are required of those who live outside the El Camino College district.

**Quider Attends Student Conference in Bay City**

Jim Quider, 819 Fortola Ave., who is commissioner of assemblies at El Camino College, was among the students and faculty advisors who attended the California Junior College Student Government Conference at San Francisco during the past three days.



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